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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF GOVERNOR SCRANTON'S STATEMENT IN EXERCISE OF RIGHT OF REPLY IN SECURITY COUNCIL DEBATE, SEPTEMBER 27, 1976:

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STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR WILLIAM W. SCRANTON, UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED NATIONS, IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL, IN EXERCISE OF THE RIGHT OF REPLY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1976.

THANK YOU MR. PRESIDENT.

I HAVE ASKED FOR A RIGHT OF REPLY TO SPEAK BRIEFLY. THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION, AS I AM SURE IS TRUE OF ALL DELEGATIONS, DEEPLY WELCOMES THE STANDARDS OF THE STATEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ZAMBIA, BENIN, MALAWI, AND SWAPO AND WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THEM FOR THEIR COMMENTS.

AS FOR THE COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE BY THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM MAURITIUS, IN CANDOR I DO NOT THINK THEY ARE ON A LEVEL WHICH WARRANT A CIVIL REPLY. IF HE TRULY REPRESENTS THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY IN HIS COMMENTS AND HIS QUESTIONS, I WOULD REFER HIM DIRECTLY AND IMMEDIATELY TO THE FRONTLINE PRESIDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE NEGOTIATIONS AND WHO ARE FULLY INFORMED. IF THEY HAD SUCH CONVICTIONS AS HE INFERS ARE INVOLVED IN THESE VITAL NEGOTIATIONS, I, AT LEAST, AND I THINK ALL OF US, HAVE MORE RESPECT FOR THEM THAN TO BELIEVE THAT THEY WOULD CONTINUE THE TALKS UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES.

AS FOR THE MOTIVATIONS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND DR. KISSINGER AND OTHERS INVOLVED IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS, TO THESE I CAN ATTEST PERSONALLY, THE ARE THE DETERMINATION TO AVOID A BLOODBATH AND HUMAN CARNAGE IN AN AREA OF THE WORLD THAT WE ALL PRIZE AND TO BRING ABOUT AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA, WHICH IS THE BACKBONE OF THE UNITED NATIONS VIEWPOINT, TOO. THEY ARE IN TRUTH THE SAME MOTIVATIONS THAT ANY DECENT HUMAN BEING WOULD HAVE IN THIS EFFORT. AND THEY ARE COMPLETELY IN LINE WITH THE UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTIONS AND THE UNITED NATIONS ACTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN HERE.

I THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT.

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